William B. Whiteley, Private, Co. B, 3rd MO Infantry, C.S.

1838: July 4: Whiteley was born to John and Priscilla Whiteley in Henry County, KY.

1850 October 26: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Miller Township, Gentry County, MO showed 10-year-old William living with his parents and siblings. His father John is a farmer.

1860 June 27: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Gentry County, MO showed 21-year-old William living with his father, stepmother and siblings.

1862 January 1: Whiteley and his younger brother Andrew enlisted in the C.S. Army in Springfield, MO, where they mustered into Co. B of 3rd MO Infantry on January 25th.

March & April: Company Muster Roll. Absent. Remarks “Sick at Hospital Van Buren March 21st.” His brother Andrew was also sick in the same hospital at the time.


September to December: Company Muster Rolls. Present.

1863 January to April: Company Muster Rolls. Present.

May & June: Company Muster Roll. Absent. Remarks “Sent to Hospital from Rovina May 10’62 Bounty due.” At this same time William’s brother, Andrew, is detailed as a nurse in this same hospital.

July & August: Company Muster Roll. Absent Remarks “Condition due in lieu of furlough $42. Absent with leave.”


November & December: Company Muster Roll. Present.

1864 January to April: Company Muster Rolls. Present.

May & June: Company Muster Roll. Absent. Remarks “At the hospital sick.”


October 5: Brother, Andrew, was killed at the Battle of Allatoona.

November 30: Wounded at the Battle of Franklin. His arm was broken at the elbow joint. He was captured while in a hospital in Franklin on December 17th.
1865
January 1: Admitted to U.S.A. General Hospital No. 1 and had surgery to amputate his arm the next day.

        April 2: Released from the hospital and forwarded to Louisville, KY and then on to Camp Chase, OH.

1870
January 1: Married Isabel Smith.

1880
June 12: The United States Federal Census enumerated in Albany, Gentry County, Missouri showed William, a county clerk, and Isabelle living with their three young children. William is listed as having lost his left arm.

1900
June 7: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Athens, Gentry County, MO showed William, a farmer, and Isabel living with their son Abraham.

1910
April 20: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Athens, Gentry County, MO showed William, a farmer, and Isabel living with a cousin.

1920
January 15: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Athens, Gentry County, MO showed William, a farmer, and Isabel living with their son and daughter-in-law.
1923  April 14: William Whiteley died in Gentry County, MO and is buried at the Grandview Cemetery.

April 19: *The Albany Capital*, Albany, MO.
William B Whiteley, the present (1882) popular clerk of Gentry County, and a member of the firm of Winningham & Whiteley, dealers in hardware, is a native of Kentucky, and was born in Henry County, July 4, 1838. His father, John Whitely, a Kentuckian by birth, was married in his native state, to Miss Priscilla J. Scisk, of Virginia. When William was but six years of age, he accompanied his parents to Missouri, locating in Lafayette County, from whence, after remaining during one winter, they went to Ray County. The following spring he came to Gentry County, where he was educated, his youthful days being spent on a farm. When twenty-one years old, he began teaching school, and after having charge of a school for one term, the breaking out of the war occurred. He enlisted in the Confederate service, in which he remained until the close of the war, having served in different regiments and companies. He participated in a number of engagements, and while in the battle of Franklin, Tennessee, had the misfortune to lose his left arm. When the war closed, he was a prisoner. After this Mr. Whiteley returned to his native county in Kentucky, and resumed the profession of teaching, and also attending school. He subsequently went to Millersburg, Bourbon County, and entered the Western University, of which institution he was a student for one collegiate year. From that time until July, 1869, he followed teaching in Kentucky, at which period he returned to Gentry County, where he has since continued to reside. Until 1875, he was interested in teaching, and in that year he was elected county school commissioner. He was re-elected in 1877, and in 1879 he was chosen to occupy his present position. Mr. W. is very energetic in completing the work assigned him, is aggregable to all, and a man who has the esteem and confidence of all county officials, as well as of the people in general. In October, 1881, he became a partner in the firm of which he is still a member. He belongs to Richardson Lodge, No. 100, A.O.U.W. He was married January 1, 1870 to Miss Isabel C. Smith who was born in Iowa in 1847. They have three children: Priscilla J., William A. and Andrew A.